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CLASSICS

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Philosophy &
Objectives:

The concept of time is perplexing and fascinating. The span of one man's life measured against eternity! The achievements of one man's mind measured against the mosaic of civilization! Must man then dismiss the sum of his existence as an absurdity? From the threat of insignificance posed by grappling with the mystery of time springs the impulse to realize some sense of individual identity. "Know thyself". Can man know what he is without knowing what he was? And must not man know what he is before he can claim to say what he will be? And if he fails to say himself what he will be, can man be anything at all?

The Future and will . . . the Present and knowledge . . . the Past and Search - an intricate chain of interpenetrating action. The Classics Department programme is an exploration of the Past in full perspective, an opportunity for a restless mind to probe its individual identity, to explore the nature of the human kind.

Programmes:

The Classics Department offers courses in Archaeology, Myth, Ancient History, Primitive Religion, Ancient Languages (Greek, Latin, Hebrew), Ancient Literature - uncovering the influence of ancient thought and practice on later Western culture.

These courses are directed to a consideration of such topics as freedom, democracy, Fate, the gods, power, propaganda, individualism, progress, death, afterlife, love, patriotism, money, morality - all motivations to man's creative impulse and endeavour.

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Prerequisites &
Qualifications:

A restless mind!

Degrees:

B.A. honours and major in CLASSICAL STUDIES which is directed toward broader considerations of societal problems arising from the "living past". This programme does not require a knowledge of the ancient languages. The department also offers a B.A. honours and major in CLASSICAL PHILOLOGY. This programme requires linguistic competence in both Greek and Latin and emphasizes the aesthetic appreciation of the masterpieces of classical literature.

Joint honours and majors programmes with other departments - History, Modern Languages and Linguistics, Theology, Philosophy - can be arranged through the Chairmen of the respective departments.

Elective Opportunities:

Any course offered by the Classics Department may be taken by the qualified student as an ELECTIVE. Students honouring or majoring in History, English, Theology, Philosophy, Modern Languages, Linguistics, Sociology, Drama, Third World Programme, will find courses in Classics which are closely related to their chosen disciplines.

Special Facilities or
Equipment:

The Classical Studies Programme avails itself whenever possible of slides, films, tapes, museum trips etc.

Faculty:

E. Preston, M.A. , Assistant Professor - Ancient Religions, Classical Drama, Classical Philology.

B. Wardy, M.A., Assistant Professor - Ancient History, Myth, Classical Philology, Hebrew.

D. Brown, Ph.D., Associate Professor - Ancient History Archaeology, Classical Philology.

S. Casey, S.J., Ph.D., Assistant Professor - Ancient Religions, Roman History and Literature, Classical Philology.

L. Sanders, Ph.D., Assistant Professor - Ancient History, Archaeology, Classical Philology.